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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants petition the Director of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, dated 11 February 2004, for two months from 11 April 2004 to 11 June 2004. Attached please find a check in the amount of \$420.00 to cover the extension fee for a large entity.

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